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It is requested that the enclosed references listed on the attached Information Disclosure Citation Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Patent Examiner in connection with the above-identified application and be made of record therein.

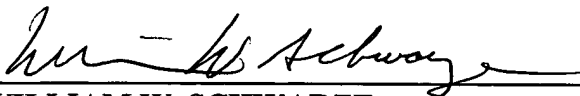
Twenty-seven of the enclosed references or their foreign counterparts were either cited in an International Search Report (copy enclosed) dated March 13, 1997 from the European Patent Office concerning International Application No. PCT/EP96/04681, or were cited by the Examiners in grandparent application No. 09/072,018 and parent application No. 09/591,919, respectively. The one remaining reference, EP 0 161 035, is cited and discussed at page 2 of the specification.

Independent consideration and acknowledgment of the enclosed references are respectfully requested.

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